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2 **Allowable Subject Matter**

3 Claims 1-5, 7-19, 29, and 31-33 have been allowed. Applicant appreciates
4 the indication of allowability. These claims remain unchanged and are in condition
5 for allowance.

6 **35 U.S.C. §103**

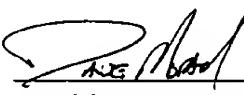
7 Claims 20-28 and 34-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Claims 20-
8 28 and 34-36 have been canceled, thus rendering the rejection moot.

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10 **Conclusion**

11 Pending claims 1-5, 7-19, 29, and 31-33 are in condition for allowance.
12 Applicant respectfully requests prompt issuance of the subject application. If any
13 issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to
14 contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

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16 Respectfully Submitted,

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